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In re Application of: Sinclair et al.

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For: FIRE RETARDANT INTUMESCENT COATING

**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT AND ELECTION OF SPECIES**

Mail Stop AMENDMENT  
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Sir:

Responsive to the Final Rejection dated January 18, 2006, please enter the following preliminary amendment on the record and kindly acknowledge Applicants' election of species in view of the following remarks.

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